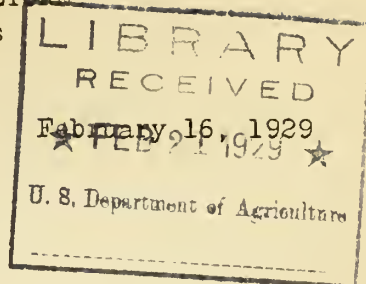


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FOREIGN NEWS ON APPLES

THE BRITISH APPLE MARKET

Prices paid for American apples on the Liverpool auction on Wednesday, February 13, were lower for both barreled and boxed varieties, according to a cable received in the Foreign Service of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics from Mr. Edwin Smith, the Department's Fruit Specialist in Europe. Barreled varieties are in liberal supply but supplies of boxed stock are only moderate. The sub-zero temperature prevailing over the Continent is stopping shipments, as a result of which apples are congesting at Rotterdam and Hamburg. Freezing at these ports is causing a serious situation. The extreme cold in Great Britain and on the Continent is depressing the European apple market in general, states Mr. Smith.

The demand was good for Virginia York Imperials in good condition, U. S. No. 1, $2\frac{3}{4}$ inch stock ranging from \$6.67 to \$7.30 per barrel. Supplies were light and much of the fruit was in variable condition. Ben Davis were in light supply and met with only a moderate demand due largely to the variable condition of the fruit. Liberal supplies of Virginia Winesaps were offered and met with a good demand, U. S. No. 1, $2\frac{1}{4}$ inch stock ranging from \$6.57 to \$6.69 against \$6.57 to \$6.81 last week. Virginia Albemarle Pippins were also in liberal supply but met with only a moderate demand, at approximately 25 cents per barrel below last week's levels. The demand for New York Baldwins was only moderate. Supplies were liberal but much of the stock was only in fair condition. Liberal supplies of New York Greenings were offered but the demand in general was slower, although some U. S. No. 1, $2\frac{1}{2}$ inch stock brought from \$6.81 to \$7.30 against \$6.33 to \$6.57 last week. Prices on barreled stock in the London market were practically the same as those in Liverpool.

The light supplies of Washington Winesaps available met with an active demand, Extra Fancy, 150/175 stock ranging from \$3.10 to \$3.16 against \$3.28 to \$3.41 last week. Oregon Yellow Newtowns from the Medford district ranged from \$3.22 to \$3.41 per box for Extra Fancy 150/175 stock. There was a good demand for Hood River Spitzenbergs, Extra Fancy 150/175 stock selling at \$3.16 per box. Moderate supplies of California Yellow Newtowns were offered in London during the week. The condition of the fruit, however, was only fair, Fancy grades of 150/175's ranging from \$2.43 to \$2.55 per box.

The New Zealand apple season will begin earlier this year than last year. The first shipments for the season, consisting of approximately 11,000 boxes, are expected to arrive on the market on March 21, according to Mr. Smith.

Prices paid for American fruit in Liverpool and London

Variety and grade	Origin	Price	
		Feb 6, 1929	Feb 13, 1929
LIVERPOOL:		<u>Dollars</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
BARRELS - APPLES			
York Imperial: U.S.No.1, 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ in.	Virginia	a/	6.67-7.30
U.S.Commer. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.	"	a/	6.08-6.67
U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.	"	7.06-7.42	a/
Ben Davis: U.S.No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.	"	a/	5.60
Winesap: U.S.No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.	"	6.57-6.81	6.57-6.69
Albemarle Pippin: U.S.No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ in. ..	"	7.30-7.79	7.06-7.54
U.S.No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. ..	"	7.79-8.52	6.57-6.81
Unclassified, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.	"	a/	5.34-5.84
Baldwin: U.S.No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.	New York	6.20-6.57	5.60-5.84
U.S.No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.	" "	7.30-7.42	6.08-6.57
Unclassified, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.	" "	a/	5.35-5.84
Rhode Is. Greening: U.S.No.1, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. ..	" "	6.33-6.57	6.81-7.30
Unclass., 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ in. ..	" "	a/	5.60-6.08
Stark	Ontario	a/	5.84
Baldwin	"	a/	7.30
Ben Davis	"	a/	5.60-5.84
BOXES			
Winesap: Ex. Fcy., 150/175	Washington	3.28-3.41	3.10-3.16
Ex. Fcy., 188/smaller	"	3.10-3.28	2.98-3.10
Fancy, 150/175	"	3.16	2.98-3.10
Fancy, 188/smaller	"	3.10	2.92-3.04
Spitzenberg: Ex. Fcy., 150/175	Hood River, Ore.	a/	3.16
Fancy, 150/175	" " "	a/	2.98-3.04
Yellow Newtown: Ex.Fcy., 150/175	" " "	3.10	a/
Fancy, 150/175	" " "	2.80-2.92	2.82
Fancy, 188/smaller ..	" " "	a/	2.80-2.86
Ex. Fcy., 150/175	Medford, Ore.	3.10-3.41	3.22-3.41
Ex. Fcy., 188/smaller.:	" "	2.86-3.04	2.92-3.04
Fancy, 150/175	" "	3.04-3.16	2.92-3.16
Fancy, 188/smaller ..	" "	2.80-2.92	2.55-2.86
BOXES - PEARS			
Winter Nellis: Ex.Fcy., medium sizes ..	Washington	a/	4.38-4.87
Ex.Fcy., small sizes ..	"	a/	3.53-4.01
Fancy	"	a/	3.89-4.14
CASES - GRAPEFRUIT			
Florida	Florida	4.14-4.62	4.53-5.00
Jamaica	Jamaica	3.65-4.14	4.08-4.56
LONDON:			
HALF BOXES - ORANGES			
Spanish	Spain	a/	3.65-4.26
BOXES - APPLES			
Winesap: Ex. Fcy., 150/175.....	Washington	a/	2.86-2.92
Fancy, 150/175	"	a/	2.74-3.06

a/ None quoted in cable.

